Canada Freedom Rights Movement

Tom Marazzo Statement

1. My name is Tom Marazzo and I am 49 years old. I was born and raised in Ontario. I am a father of two children.

2. I served for 25 years in the Canadian Armed Forces including the Army as a Combat Engineering Officer achieving the rank of Capitan.

3. I have military and academic training in the area of engineering technology and achieved a Masters of Business Administration after I left the Canadian Armed Forces. After I left the Canadian Armed Forces I completed an Honours Degree in Software Development. In my military career I was trained up to the required level of training for the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, but was not promoted to that rank due to medical limitations.

4. After graduating from my Degree in Software Development, in 2019, I worked at Georgian College, in Barrie ON, as a partial-load college teacher in computer sciences.

5. I lost my job as a college teacher in 2021 for standing up for my rights as a free citizen of Canada when Covid-19 mandates were being enforced. As a soldier, I understood and accepted the terms of my "Unlimited Liability" required to join the CAF: I agreed that if ever called upon to forfeit my life in support of Canada continuing as a nation of free people, I would do so.

6. I have always believed in and agreed to uphold the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. My concerns about human rights in Canada became both highlighted and shattered since the pandemic started in 2019.

7. In early 2020, it became obvious that all levels of Government were implementing restrictions on rights and freedoms that violated our charter and human rights which were based on thin and illogical justifications. When people tried to speak up – for over 2 years – not one level of Government would listen. None were respecting Canadians human rights.

8. I no longer recognized the country for which I was willing to lay down my life, if needed.

9. I have become an advocate for peaceful and positive change in the hopes that Canada will once again return to the perception of Canada, I once thought I lived in, and the Canadian values of human dignity, respect for others and Charter and human rights adherence.

10. I was invited to participate in the Protest in Ottawa, 30 Jan 2022 and I was in the City of Ottawa until 20 February 2022, for 22 days. I agreed to help in any way I could because it was the only option that gave me hope. I lost hope in our government for the way in which they had chosen to manage Covid-19, imposing covid-19 measures onto Canadian citizens that stripped them of their human dignity and ability to make a living and provide for their families. I bilevel in the Canadian value of togetherness and community and saw that the Protest in Ottawa emulated these Canadian values

and I wanted to be a part of that in the hope that coming together as a community would help to be heard by the government.

11. I volunteered to help with logistics because I had experience with that. I was experienced in humanitarian relief situations. I also tried to help get the message across about what the protestors (including me) were looking to achieve – end all Federal Covid 19 mandates. That was a consistent role we all had. It was unbelievable to me that the media and politicians kept disseminating misinformation and disinformation about the Ottawa protests.

12. During my time in Ottawa, I worked with the other volunteers and protestors to ensure that safety lanes and emergency lanes were open on the roads. Because trucks and protest vehicles could arrive and depart at anytime, it was a constant process of surveillance and information gathering to ensure that the emergency lanes were kept open. Keeping the emergency lanes open was one of my top priorities daily.

13. I also found myself dealing extensively with the police liaison officers from both the OPS and OPP. I was directly involved in working with the key volunteers and the legal team in negotiations with police liaisons to support de-escalation and movements of trucks out of Rideau and Sussex, meeting with the City Manager, and the agreement with the Mayor to move out of residential areas.

14. I acted as one of the spokesperson for protestors in Ottawa on a number of occasions including when the police enforcement action began on February 18 and 19, 2022 where I appealed on the protestors to withdraw for their own safety. I was concerned for the safety of protestors due to the aggressive and violent actions of the police force during the police enforcement action between February 18 and February 19, 2022. I also witnessed first-hand the brutality and violence of the police against peaceful protestors. I witnessed gross human rights violations and charter rights violations. I witnessed inhuman and degrading treatment and cruel and unusual punishment by the police of the protestors, ordinary peaceful Canadian citizens. I have also had my Charter rights and human rights violated as a result of the Emergencies Act invocation.

15. I am also one of the many Canadians who had my bank accounts and banking services frozen. This impacted my ability to live and impacted the lives of others who were not involved in the Protest. It was a violation of my human right to livelihood, and it was a breach of Charter rights. The government's decision to unlawfully seize my bank account and to strip my ability to access my hard-earned money and my private funds, had detrimental impact on my spouse's ability to access funds (joint account) as well as the ability to buy medication for my child. I am also one of the several protestors who has been sued in the $306 Million Class Action lawsuit launched by lawyer Paul Champ.